been advised to follow investor friendly land policies and single window clearance for promoting hotels projects.

(c) and (d) No, Sir.

Projects for tourist attraction in Assam

77. SHRI KUMAR DEEPAK DAS: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) the projects for tourist's attraction sanctioned and pending during last three years in Assam, district-wise; and

(b) whether Government would consider a few more projects for tourism development for the districts of Barpeta, Bongaigaon and Nalbari considering the historical importance of these places?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM (SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI): (a) and (b) The development and promotion of tourism is primarily undertaken by the State Governments/ Union Territories themselves. However, the Ministry of Tourism provides funds on the basis of project proposals received from the State Governments/Union Territories for grant of Central financial assistance every year under the following schemes:

(a) Product Infrastructure and Destination Development

(b) Large Revenue Generating projects

(c) Fairs and Festivals/Events

(d) Information Technology

Proposals which are complete in all respect as per guidelines are processed on *inter-se* priority basis and funds released-subject to availability under the respective head.

Ministry of Tourism, Government of India has sanctioned 32 tourism projects in Assam in the last three years *i.e.* 2004-05,2005-06,2006-07 for a total amount of Rs. 5714.42 lakh. In the current financial year a total of Rs. 1271.90 lakh has been sanctioned for the projects in Assam. A list of projects sanctioned to the State of Assam given in the Statement.

Statement

Projects sanctioned to the State of Assam in the years 2004-05, 2005-06, 2006-07 and 2007-08

(Rs. in lakh)

SI. No.	Name of the Project	Amount sanctioned
1	2	3
	2004-05	
1.	Development of Dehing Patkai kshetra, Distt. Tinsukia as a rural Tourism destination	44.33
2.	GOI-UNDP endogenous Project at village Sualkuchi, distt Kamrup	19.95
3.	GOI-UNDP endogenous Project at village Durgapur, distt Golaghat	20.00
4.	Development of village Sualkuchi, distt Kamrup as a rural tourism destination.	50.00

1	2	3
5.	Tourist arrival cum Reception centre, Guwahati	384.00
6.	Development of Tourism Circuit, Assam	437.75
7.	Celebration of Kaziranga National Park and 3rd Elephant Festival	15.00
	TOTAL:	971.03
	2005-06	
1.	Development of Adventure Tourism in Kaziranga	44.95
2.	Circuit Development of Manas—Guwahati-Kaziranga	781.00
3.	Eco-Tourism Development at Kokrajhar	460.00
4.	Development of NE circuit in Assam	280.00
5.	IT project for Assam tourism	47.80
6.	Celebration of Rangoli Bihu festival	10.00
7.	Celebration of Dehing Patkai festival	5.00
8.	Integrated Development of Dhubri-Goalpara-Guwahati-Silchar-Karimganj Tourism circuit	432.28
9.	Rural Tourism project at Asharkandi, Dhubri	48.97
10	Kaziranga festival	5.00
11	Tea Tourism festival	5.00
12	Barak velley festival	5.00
	TOTAL:	2125.00
	2006-07	
1.	Construction of Kamakhya Pilgrim Centre in Assam	80.00
2.	Eco-Tourism Resort at Bhalukpong in Assam	45.00
3.	Development of Internal road leading to Kaziranga National Park and Renovation of old Bungalow in the Park, Assam	25.00
4.	Upgradation of Tourist Lodge at Sivasagar in Assam	15.00
5.	Construction of Integrated Convention Centre and Wellness Centre in the Compound of Hotel Brahmaputra Ashok, Guwahati under Integrated Destination Development Scheme, Assam	454.28
6.	Development of Kamakhya and Satellite Pilgrimage Township of Hajo, Assam	436.54
7.	Destination Development of Sivasagar, Assam	369.05
8.	Integrated Development of Tourism Circuit Orang-Tezpur-Bhalukpong-Biswanath-Chariali-Gohpur circuit in Assam	798.00
9.	Destination Development of Brahmaputra river front and Cruise Vessel, Assam	365.52

1	2	3
10.	Celebration of Rangoli Bihu festival, 2007	10.00
11	Celebration of the Tea Tourism festival, 06	5.00
12	Celebration of Elephant festival, 07	10.00
13	Celebration of Dehing Patkai festival, 07	5.00
	TOTAL:	2618.39
	2007-08	
1.	Development of Tourist Circuit "Barak Valley and Two Hills District," (Southern Circuit Assam)	605.42
2.	Development of Tourist Circuit (Western Assam Circuit) Dhubri-Mahamaya-Barpeta-Hajo, Assam	497.94
3.	Sound and Light Show at Talatal Ghar, Sivasagar in Assam	158.54
4.	Celebration of Tea Tourism festival, 07-08	5.00
5.	Celebration of Dehing Patkai festival, 07-08	5.00
	TOTAL:	1271.90

Tourist places in Delhi

†78. SHRI JAI PARKASH AGGARWAL: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether tourist's places, specially in the NCT of Delhi are being maintained properly from the point of view of tourism;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of the amount spent for the development of tourism during last three years as on date State-wise; and

(d) the targets fixed as to the amount to be spent for development of tourism during the current financial year, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM (SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI): (a) and (b) Tourist places in the country including National Capital Territory of Delhi are maintained by State Government agencies and Central agencies like Archaeological Survey of India.

(c) The State-wise details of amount; sanctioned and released by Ministry of Tourism to State Governments/Union Territory Administrations for tourism projects during the last three years are given in the Statement *(See* below).

(d) No State-wise targets for amount to be spent for development of tourism are fixed. However, the Ministry of Tourism extends Central Financial Assistance for the projects submitted by the State GovernmentsAJnion Territory Administrations which are complete as per the scheme guidelines keeping in view their *inter-se* priority and availability of funds. The Annual outlay for the Ministry of Tourism for the year 2007-08 is Rs. 953.00 crore.

t Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.